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LATE SEEDS WILL PRODUCE RAPIDLY

Suggestions Offered for Getting Good Vegetable Crops in Fall.

For early crops you must plant early; but late crops are desirable also, and seeds planted late will grow so much faster that the harvest will not be relatively as late as was the seedling.

In the vegetable garden there are many seeds which should be sown for late crops.

Beans should be sown at intervals until July to provide a succession of young plants, which will yield much better than the old ones in late summer and early fall. Cabbages and beets from summer sowings will be better flavored and more tender than the old, fully matured vegetables which may be harvested late from early sown seeds. Cauliflower and Brussels sprouts are fall crops, and seeds should be sown now for plants to be transplanted.

Top Salad Crops

There are two salad crops which are at their best in the fall—endive and Chinese cabbage. The endive or chrysanthemum, which is transplanted in midsummer so that each plant has a foot of room in the row, will produce crisp, curly leaves, which are better than flat, common endive. Chinese cabbage is the most delicious salad of the season. Chinese cabbage is difficult to grow in the summer, because it runs to seed, but in the short days of autumn it makes beautiful, elongated heads of crisp leaves having a suggestion of cabbage flavor which are delicious cooked or raw.

Vegetable crops which should not be sown late include peas, early radishes, lettuce and spinach. All these require cool weather, but you may sow very early kinds in August, so they will mature in the autumn. Sweet corn is a crop for late sowing. Early kinds may be put in as late as July 4, and the finest corn is produced by late sown seed.

News of 4-H CLUBS

The last of the Kiwanis-Grange programs will be held Tuesday evening at the South Deer Creek Grange hall under the auspices of the South Deer Creek Grange. Considerable interest has been manifested among the people of that community and a good crowd is expected. Mr. E. W. Jasser, chairman of the Kiwanis committee, is planning to make this the best of all the Kiwanis programs given thus far.

Four-H club members of Smith River are holding an achievement program on Tuesday of this week. The clubs there will exhibit their work in forestry, photography and clothing.

The forestry club of Smith River under the leadership of John Dwyer, has attracted considerable attention throughout the state by their work in planting grass seeds to be sown in the large burn recently have already matured. 100 acres and expect to gather at least another hundred. The county club agent, E. A. Britton, will be present at a program to award ribbons.

Four-H club members of Dilford school held their achievement program in connection with the graduation exercises Wednesday evening of last week. They had fine exhibits of work in clothing and forestry, photography and other projects. They had previously exhibited at the spring fair at which time they received ribbons.

At Edgewater Saturday evening, the 4-H club held a meeting and selected the delegates for summer school, as well as awarded achievement pins to the 4-H club members, all of whom had completed their work.

Number one delegate selected to Dow Kenney. Two girls had for second place. They are Betty Raynor and Ella Mae Clark. Ella Mae had first place in many of the exhibits.

A community meeting was held Sunday at Leon Lake, at which time the club members exhibited their clothing, books, making and dairy projects. According to E. N. Helton, county club agent, the work was of very high quality. Plans had been made to take the high school achievement group but rain was so severe that there was a mass epidemic at Leon Lake so the trip was called off. However, in place of this group, Millard Magness sang three vocal numbers, Cora Mae Davidson of Wilbur gave two humorous readings, Alton Knudsen of Roseburg played several harmonica numbers and Ward Cummings, also of Roseburg, played two trumpet solos, which were exceptionally well received.

County Club Agent Britton reports that he is preparing to send in final reports for all of those attending summer school this year.

Douglas County YGA Officers



Courtesy Oregon Grange Bulletin
Cornelia Miller (at top) President; Anna Huebner, Secretary; Harry Marks, Steward (center); and lower left, May Taylor, Treasurer; Leroy Morganti, Vice President.

Douglas County YGA was organized at Kellogg Grange hall December 17, and monthly meetings have been held at Kellogg and Riverdale Grange halls. These have been attended by nearly 60 members, representing the various Granges of the county. Plans are being made to attend State Grange at Corvallis next month.

By Wednesday evening, anyone who has not already turned in his or her name and desiring to attend summer school should do so at once. Selections are being made of those to be presented for scholarship awards and will be completed by Wednesday.

In addition to the list of grange scholarships there are three more scholarships to be given through the granges by Heisinger's Mart of Roseburg. These have been won through a "Grange Bulletin" contest and are already awarded to Hilda, Gladys and Kellie, granges. This will bring the total grange scholarships to 14, which will be well received at the state grange convention which will be held in Corvallis at the same time as the summer school.

A new club has been organized in the Benson school district to carry a project in cooking. This club is led by Mrs. Emma Boyce of 1247 W. 2nd street. Membership of this club included Marie Neal, president, Joanne Boyce vice-president, Lois Ann Jurians secretary, Mary McKay and John Hoyle.

Another new club has been formed in the Benson school district. It will carry a project in rose and flower gardening and is known as the "Hospital" club.

Mrs. J. A. Bartley, of 175 W. First street, will serve as leader of the club, composed of Bob Matthews president, Betty Ann Matthews vice-president, Joyce Bartley secretary, Kenneth Shum, Bonnie Jean Tyrer and Donald Tyrer.

By Maxine Wright, Days Creek. "The Junior Rangers" of the Days Creek school at its regular meeting Monday, heard the local leader, Mr. Hill, give instructions on the use of the Abney level and compass. He also distributed among the members maps of the Utopia national forest, which are to be used with the project. Open discussion on surveying took up the remainder of the hour.

The How and How Gardening club held its weekly meeting at the Days Creek school Wednesday. Two new members, Bill and Arthur Ward, were shown up.

Reports were presented until the next meeting cards and requests were filed out and questions were answered by the local leader, Mrs. Fritz Snyder.

At the meeting of the Rose and Flower Gardening club, each member gave a report on raising her flowers. They were as follows: seed peas, by Maxine Wright, planted by Henrietta Cham; presiding roses, by Josephine Wright; larkspur, by Marie Sadron; "How to get rid of Aphids," by Violet Goss. The next meeting will be Tuesday when each member will give a report on "Roses" and a card will be sent for the club. Also reports will be filed out.

By Bob Matthews, Benson school district.

The "Hospital" Rose and Flower Gardening club met Thursday at the home of Mrs. J. A. Bartley. Two clubs are always anxious for

TRY DOUBLING UP ON GARDEN CROPS

Companion and succession planting should be practiced in order to get the full return from the soil. Try out only a few combinations to see how they work. In succession crops the succession crop follows after the first vegetable has been used and removed, in companion planting they are put in the ground at the same time.

A few companion plantings are indicated herewith:

Radishes and parsley in mixture in the same row. The reason, the radish comes up quickly, matures quickly and is soon out of the way. The parsley germinates very slowly, and the radishes have broken the soil so the parsley can come through easily. The parsley will have plenty of time for maturity when the radishes are pulled and will be none too thick.

Radishes with early cabbage between the rows.

Parsnips or beets between rows of spinach.

Here are some good successions: Early peas followed by turnips, carrots or beets.

Early beans followed by late cabbage.

Spinach followed by sweet corn, tomatoes or beans.

Young onions from sets followed by eggplants or peppers.

If it is a matter of experiment and experiment and after a season or two of observation, any gardener can plan companion and succession crops so that the garden works every minute of the growing season and with less, parsnips and easily do winter work as well.

MOTHERS HONORED AT GRANGE PROGRAM

AZALEA, May 22.—At Azalea Grange meeting last Monday night a very interesting Mother's day program was given.

Mrs. William Jantzen was elected as a delegate to the Oregon State Grange convention, to be held at Corvallis during the week of June 12th.

Instead of May 19, as formerly mentioned, it will be July 2nd, when the Azalea Grange will go to Astoria to continue more of its degree work.

Plans were made for a Fourth of July celebration to be held at Tanner's grove, sponsored by the grange. The program will consist of a carnival, sports of various kinds, concessions, dancing and many other things of interest.

EFFORT FOR BETTER CANNED BEEF SEEN

FORT WORTH, Tex., May 22.—(AP)—Elliott Roosevelt suggests the public could eat canned beef at a fair price and the farmer as well, if the packer would take a margin of profit if packers could be persuaded to establish plants in the south.

He mentioned this after saying his father's approval of a naval order for the purchase of Argentine corned beef may have been an attempt to give American cattlemen to better their own interests. He said:

"The president may have awarded this sample order merely to ease the cattlemen to get out of this snarl and contented attitude and do something about a situation which has been brought about by the detriment of the cattle producers by the great packers of this country."

OREGON WOOL SALE TOPS 22-CENT MARK

HEPPNER, May 22.—(AP)—C. W. McNamer, received western Oregon's top price of 22 1/2 cents a pound for 20,000 pounds of the 1938 wool clip purchased by Tom Boylen of Pendleton for the E. J. Burke company.

PRICE OF OREGON WHEAT GETS BOOST

CORVALLIS, May 22.—(AP)—A seven-cent boost in Oregon wheat prices over the new 1939 government loan program was announced Saturday by N. C. Donaldson, state executive officer of the agricultural adjustment administration.

The loan basis on No. 1 soft white wheat last year was 57 cents at Portland, less freight and four cents handling charges from county points. The new basis will be 72 cents at Portland, less freight and three cents handling charges.

Donaldson said loan rates this year would be between 75 and 80 per cent of average farm wheat prices for the last 10 years. Loans are available to any farmer keeping within his wheat allotment.

Most of the 1939 loan wheat tak-

FEED BUT NO CANDIDATES

RIDGECRE, May 22.—At Ridgecreek meeting Thursday several candidates were in line to take the third and fourth degrees and a banquet was prepared, but for some reason the candidates did not appear. The members present reported, however, that they did full justice to the banquet.

WHEAT ALLOTMENT NOW AVAILABLE

Farmers who grew no wheat during 1937, 1938, or 1939 but expect to grow wheat in 1940 and wish a 1940 wheat allotment should make written application within the next two weeks to the county committee, stating the allotment desired (acres), according to announcement received at the county agent's office from N. C. Donaldson, state executive officer for the agricultural conservation program in Oregon.

The county committee will be able to allocate up to three per cent of the total county wheat allotment to such "new" wheat farms, the executive officer said, in giving out the "new" wheat allotments, according to Mr. Donaldson, the county committee will consider the decision by considering the ratio of wheat land to crop land in the community in question.

The expiration date for applying for "new" wheat allotments will be 15 days after the announcement for old wheat farms, which is expected to be made sometime early in July.

Farms which have not been signed to participate in the agricultural conservation program are required to have work sheets filed by June 1st and all farm operators with land not now under the agricultural conservation program and desiring to participate in the 1939 program are requested to make application and file work sheets by June 1st. Work sheets may be filed by calling at the agricultural conservation office in Roseburg or by contacting the county agent's office.

Here This Week-End—John Roach, who is a business dealer in Oregon from Muscatine, Iowa, spent the weekend in Roseburg.

CONTROL OF VETCH WEEVIL SOUGHT

A survey of vetch seed growing districts from Eureka, Calif., to the Canadian limit is being made under the direction of L. P. Lockwood, federal entomologist at Forest Grove, to determine, if possible, the limits of infestation of the hairy vetch weevil.

If it is found that the weevil is now confined to a relatively small area such as two or three counties, effort will be made to have that region included in a control area where all seed would have to be fumigated before being moved out, according to G. R. Hyslop, head of the plant industries division at Oregon State college.

The weevil was discovered in the north end of the Willamette valley near the close of the last shipping season. The industry is faced with the task of a localized, intensive program or else a general requirement that all hairy vetch seed be fumigated before being shipped out of the state.

Meanwhile the department of entomology at the college is conducting experiments on fumigation of seed for the vetch weevil and on dusting measures for the control of the weevil in the infested areas.

CORN DRIERS MAY INCREASE OUTPUT

Ninety-three per cent of Oregon's field corn is produced west of the Cascade mountains where winter humidity is relatively high. Oregon imports approximately 1000 carloads of corn or its equivalent annually for feed. Oregon corn prices are normally middle western prices plus freight to Portland, which amounts to \$10.00 a ton. The chief limiting factor, aside from yield, to Oregonians supplying this market for dry field corn is the necessity of artificial drying after harvest to prevent spoilage.

With these facts in mind Everett



CLASS GETS BID TO PLAY AT MELROSE

MELROSE, May 22.—The senior class of Lockjawline high school has been invited by Melrose Grange to present its class play, "Milk Mixes In," at the grange hall Wednesday evening, May 24. A small admission is to be presented by the children and will be followed by a social evening.

CATTLE AND SHEEP CONDITIONS GOOD

PORTLAND, May 22.—(AP)—Although a six-week drought materially lowered range and pasture

conditions in Oregon, cattle and sheep were still in good condition with losses light and calf and lamb crops above average, the U. S. department of agriculture said in a May 1 review.

The department observed a general tendency to increase cattle and sheep stock for breeding. The drying of ranges is offset by a large carryover of hay and feed supplies.

Lamb shipments from the northwest were expected to be late unless the feed situation improves.



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